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In response to the Office Action mailed October 22, 2002, Applicant requests the Examiner to please consider the following remarks.

Remarks:

Claims 1-22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over U.S Patent No. 6,266,100 B1 (Gloudemans) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,130,723 (Medin). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. With regard to claim 1, the Office Action admits that "Gloudemans [sic] does not disclose adjusting a flicker filter based upon the alpha value" as recited by claim 1. Office Action, p. 2. However, the Office Action states that "Medin on the other hand teaches a means to adjust flicker filter with respect to its coefficients based on an image features." Office Action, p. 2. More so, the Office Action states "it would have been obvious to one skilled in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Gloudemans' video

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